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MEETING WITH USG COP-6 BIS DELEGATION

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¶1. This is an action cable. Please see para 5.

¶2. On June 22, Ambassador, DOE Energy Advisor, and
Econoff (notetaker) met with Special Advisor to the
President for Petroleum Affairs and Energy, Dr. Rilwanu
Lukman (Reftel B). Dr. Lukman commented that during
President Obasanjo's state visit to Washington in May,
Obasanjo promised President Bush that the GON would re-
evaluate the Kyoto Protocol issue.

¶3. (U) Dr. Lukman said that he will be a member of the
Nigerian delegation to the upcoming COP-6, and he would
like to meet with the U.S. delegation. This meeting
request is a follow-up to President Obasanjo's promise
to President Bush.

¶4. (U) Comment. Dr. Lukman specifically mentioned an
upcoming COP-6 meeting at the "Hague." We assume that he was
actually referring to the upcoming COP-6 bis meeting to be
held in Bonn, July 16 - 27. Within COP negotiations, the GON
has supported the Kyoto Protocol's emission reduction targets
and has pushed for assistance to developing countries, such
as technology transfers on a concessionary basis. (Reftel C
offers more detail on GON position.) It is somewhat
surprising that President Obasanjo and Dr. Lukman have
expressed a willingess to reconsider Nigeria's position;
such reconsideration will not be well received by other GON
agencies, such as the Ministry of Environment. End Comment.

¶5. (U) Action Request: Reftel A states that the USG intends
to send a delegation to COP-6 bis. Please advise if the
delegation would like to meet with Dr. Lukman. If so please
pass the contact details of the U.S. delegation to Post so
that we can inform Dr. Lukman's office.
Jeter